

GREY OF THE LIE AN ADVICE. SHE IS A PAST MISTRESS IN THE ART OF PICKING POCKETS. WAS CAUGHT IN THE ACT. Allie Kiernan, Arrested in Brook- lyn, Confesses to a Long Record of Petty Crimes.

POCKETBOOKS HER "LOOT."

Always Threw the "Leathers' Away,
but 'Kept Their Contents, Which
Total Up Numerous Diamonds
and Considerable Money.

"She is the most accomplished thief of
her age we have ever known."

The Brooklyn police have passed this
judgment upon Allie Kiernan, twelve years
old, who was arrested yesterday as a pick-
pocket. She was caught in the act of
opening a woman's satchel in the store of
H. D. Matthews & Son, Brooklyn.

Store detectives, James Reynolds, Jr.,
and James Doyle had seen the little thief
wandering among the counters, aimlessly,
and had followed her. The girl eluded close
to a Mrs. Gross and stole upon the
woman's satchel. Just as the little hand
was thrust in the detectives arrested her.

After her arrest the girl told a long story
of thievery. Since last April she had been
a pickpocket. Before that she had been a
wild child and had been placed in the St.
Louis's Home by her parents. She escaped
from there only to be sent to the
house of the kind St. Louis. Those in
charge of the institution could do nothing
to reform her, and in January she was put
in the care of her grandmother.

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Payments Made Comptroller Palmer During Mayor Wurster's Term.

\$75,000 FOR INDEXING.

Meanwhile the City Had to Take
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Pay Salaries.

Over \$700,000 illegally paid to Jacob
Worth and the late H. C. Staffen, County
Clerks, and to Granville W. Harman, a Reg-
ister of Kings County, is the accusation
contained in an elaborate statement issued
by Comptroller Bird S. Coler yesterday.
The money, it is alleged, was paid during
the administration of former Mayor Fred-
erick W. Wurster on account of retrenching,
sorting and arranging the real estate records
of the County of Kings.

"It became necessary to make a thorough
investigation of the methods of payment
for copying and indexing done by the
former Register and County Clerks in con-
nection with the routine work of the De-
partment of Finance," said Mr. Coler, "and
the simple facts are given just as I find
them."

Then he states that George W. Palmer,
as Comptroller, or his deputy, George H.
Howe, disbursed from January, 1885, to
December, 1887, "in violation of law re-
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STRIKE HITS THE TAILOR-MADE GIRL

Employees Call It a Lockout
and Will Parade in
Protest.



Jacob Worth.

LEFT A FORTUNE TO GO TO WAR.

Private Died at Willets
Point, Heir to a
Million.

ENLISTED IN ENGINEERS

Contracted Typhoid Fever in
Porto Rico—Was G. A.
Young, of Kentucky.

Three died in the Post Hospital at Wil-
lets Point yesterday, a private of the
Engineers Corps who was heir to almost a
million dollars. Had he been out of the
army he would have been in possession of
the money.

The soldier was Gresham A. Young, of
Louisville, Ky. He left home over a year
ago, telling his mother he was going to
enter a school of engineering. He came
East and enlisted in the Engineers Corps.
He was out of the detail sent with Miles
to San Juan, but saw no service there, and
proceeded with the expedition to Porto
Rico. He returned three weeks ago and
was taken ill with typhoid. His mother
arrived at the post on Saturday. His mother
had become unconscious.

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NURSING MARMEN MADE HER MAD. After Ten Years on Ward's Island Her Brain Gave Way.

INSANITY IS CONTAGIOUS.

Mrs. O'Brien Imagines Herself
Able to Out-Vanderbilt the
Vanderbilts.

SITS BABBLING OF A FORTUNE.

Taken to Bellevue Hospital by Her
Sister, Who Feared She
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Violent.

For ten years Mrs. Ellen O'Brien has been
a nurse in the Manhattan State Insane As-
ylum on Ward's Island. Last night she was
herself taken to Bellevue Hospital to be ex-
amined as to her sanity. It is believed that
her long association with the inmates of the
institution has damaged her mind. Eminent
experts long ago decided
that insanity is a contagious disease.

On Friday night Mrs. O'Brien, who lives
at No. 156 East Eighty-fifth street, visited
her sister, Henrietta Lee, at No. 257
East One Hundred and Twentieth street.
She acted strangely, being in an unusually
jovial mood. But her sister thought little
of it at the time.

On Saturday, however, Mrs. O'Brien
again called on her sister. The two went
out for a stroll on Third avenue. During
the walk Mrs. O'Brien talked of out-
Vanderbilt Vanderbilts, of building mammoth
castles, of buying millions of dollars' worth
of diamonds, of dressing the inmates of
the asylum in gorgeous attire, and of other
fantastic things.

Last night, fearing that her sister would
become violent, Mrs. Lee took her to Bel-
levue. She was placed in the in-
sane pavilion, where she told an attendant
that she was awaiting a wagon containing
\$500,000, which she had just received from
her father.

She will be examined by Doctors Fitch
and Wildman, and, if adjudged insane, will
be sent to a private institution where
she had worked so long, placed among those
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